

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Claims 2-13 and 15-21 stand allowed.

Claims 24, 27, 28 and 31 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 24, 27 and 28 have been so amended. Accordingly, Claims 24, 27 and 28 stand allowable. Rejected Claims 25 and 29 have been amended to depend from allowable Claim 24. As such, Claims 25 and 29 stand allowable. Rejected Claim 26 and 30 depend from Claims 25 and 29, respectively, and are therefore similarly allowable.

Claims 2-13 and 15-21 stand allowed. Objected to Claims 24, 27, 28 and 31 have been amended to be allowable. Rejected Claims 25, 26, 29 and 30 have been amended to depend from allowable claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the application as the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,



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